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<sup>\*\*</sup>For conditions of confidential treatment of certain portions of this filing, see section 240.17a-5(e)( $\hat{\mathbf{3}}$ ).

Statement of Financial Condition and Supplemental Schedule February 28, 2003



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### Independent Auditors' Report

Board of Directors Commonwealth Capital Securities Corp. Exton, Pennsylvania

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of Commonwealth Capital Securities Corp. as of February 28, 2003. This financial statement is the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on this financial statement based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the statement of financial condition is free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the statement of financial condition. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statement referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Commonwealth Capital Securities Corp. as of February 28, 2003, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States.

BDO Sudman, ZYP

April 4, 2003

## Statement of Financial Condition

February 28,		2003
Assets		
Cash	<b>\$</b>	46,187
Prepaid expenses		169
Receivable from affiliates	<u> </u>	2,674
Total assets	\$	49,030
Liabilities		
Accounts Payable	\$	18,800
Accounts Payable, Commonwealth Capital Corp	•	98
Total liabilities	<del></del> .	18,898
Stockholder's equity		
Common stock, \$1 par value		
Authorized 1,000 shares		
Issued and outstanding 50 shares		50
Additional paid-in capital		52,161
Accumulated (deficit)		(22,079)
Total stockholder's equity		30,132
Total liabilities and stockholder's equity	\$	49,030

 $See\ accompanying\ notes\ to\ statement\ of\ financial\ condition.$ 

### Notes to Statement of Financial Condition

1. **Organization** and Significant Accounting **Policies** 

### Organization

Commonwealth Capital Securities Corp. (the "Company") is a wholly owned subsidiary of Commonwealth of Delaware, Inc., which is a wholly owned subsidiary of Commonwealth Capital Corp. (the "Parent").

The Company has registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission as a broker-dealer pursuant to Section 17 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and is a member of the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. The Company operates under the exemptive provisions of SEC Rule 15c3-3. Company sells units of its affiliated partnerships through broker/dealer firms to their customers throughout the United States.

#### **Use of Estimates**

The preparation of a financial statement in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statement and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

#### **Income Taxes**

The Company is a member of a consolidated group for federal income tax purposes and files as a separate entity for state income During the year, both the Company and the tax purposes. consolidated group incurred a net operating loss. No benefit for income taxes has been recorded for the current year as realization The Company has a deferred tax asset of is not assured. approximately \$9,000, related to net operating loss carryforwards expiring in 2014 and 2015, which was offset by a 100% valuation allowance.

### Notes to Statement of Financial Condition

#### Commission Revenue/Brokerage Fee Expense

The Company recognizes commission revenue and brokerage fee expense on an accrual basis based on the trade date of the underlying customer transactions.

#### 2. **Transactions** with Related **Parties**

The Company earns commission revenue of approximately 9% on sales of limited partnership units in Commonwealth Income and Growth Fund IV, an affiliated partnership. The Parent reimburses the Company for certain expenses paid by the Company.

In addition, expenses incurred by the Parent in connection with the administration and operation of the Company are not reimbursed to the Parent. The operating results or financial condition of the Company may have been significantly different had the companies been autonomous.

#### 3. Regulatory Net Capital Requirements

The Company is subject to the net capital rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission Uniform Net Capital Rule (Rule 15c3-1), which requires the maintenance of minimum regulatory net capital and requires that the ratio of aggregate indebtedness to regulatory net capital, both as defined, shall not exceed 15-to-1. At February 28, 2003, the Company's regulatory net capital, required regulatory net capital, and ratio of aggregate indebtedness to regulatory net capital were as follows:

Regulatory net capital	\$ 27,289
Required regulatory net capital	\$ 5,000
Ratio of aggregate indebtedness to regulatory net	
capital	0.69-to-1

Supplemental Schedule

# Independent Auditors' Report on Internal Accounting Control Required by SEC Rule 17a-5

Board of Directors Commonwealth Capital Securities Corp. Exton, Pennsylvania

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements and supplemental schedule of Commonwealth Capital Securities Corp. (the "Company") for the year ended February 28, 2003, we considered its internal control, including control activities for safeguarding securities, in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on internal control.

Also, as required by Rule 17a-5(g)(1) of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), we have made a study of the practices and procedures followed by the Company including tests of such practices and procedures that we considered relevant to the objectives stated in Rule 17a-5(g) in making the periodic computations of aggregate indebtedness (or aggregate debits) and net capital under Rule 17a-3(a)(11), and for determining compliance with the exemptive provisions of Rule 15c3-3. Because the Company does not carry securities accounts for customers or perform custodial functions relating to customer securities, we did not review the practices and procedures followed by the Company in any of the following:

- (1) making quarterly securities examinations, counts, verifications, and comparisons
- (2) recordation of differences required by Rule 17a-13
- (3) complying with the requirements for prompt payment for securities under Section 8 of Federal Reserve Regulation T of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

The management of the Company is responsible for establishing and maintaining internal control and the practices and procedures referred to in the preceding paragraph. In fulfilling this responsibility, estimates and judgments by management are required to assess the expected benefits and related costs of controls and of the practices and procedures referred to in the preceding paragraph and to assess whether those practices and procedures can be expected to achieve the SEC's above-mentioned objectives. Two of the objectives of internal control and the practices and procedures are to provide management with reasonable, but not absolute assurance that assets for which the Company has responsibility are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or disposition and that transactions are executed in accordance with management's authorization and recorded properly to permit the preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Rule

17a-5(g) lists additional objectives of the practices and procedures listed in the preceding paragraph.

Because of inherent limitations in internal control or the practices and procedures referred to above, error or fraud may occur and not be detected. Also, projection of any evaluation of them to future periods is subject to the risk that they may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or that the effectiveness of their design and operation may deteriorate.

Our consideration of internal control would not necessarily disclose all matters in internal control that might be material weaknesses under standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of the specific internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that error or fraud in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. However, we noted no matters involving internal control, including control activities for safeguarding securities that we consider to be material weaknesses as defined above.

We understand that practices and procedures that accomplish the objectives referred to in the second paragraph of this report are considered by the SEC to be adequate for its purposes in accordance with the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and related regulations, and that practices and procedures that do not accomplish such objectives in all material respects indicate a material inadequacy for such purposes. Based on this understanding and on our study, we believe that the Company's practices and procedures were adequate at February 28, 2003, to meet the SEC's objectives.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc., the SEC and other regulatory agencies which rely on Rule 17a-5(g) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 in their regulation of registered brokers and dealers, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

BDO Seedman, JJP

April 4, 2003